

State Conservation Awareness Poster & Speaking Contests Held

The 54th annual State Conservation Awareness Poster and Speaking Contests were held in Waupaca on Saturday, November 5, 2011. The first place winning speaker from each division has been invited to present their award-winning speech at the 2011 WLWCA Annual Conference during the awards banquet on Thursday, December 8. WLWCA will pay for the dinner for each speaker and one guest, and will also pay for one room at the double room rate for each speaker Thursday evening. Additional fees will apply for additional guests or rooms. Awards for the poster contest winners, as well as the posters, will be mailed back to counties this week via US Postal Service Priority Ground. If your county would like your posters back sooner, please contact us and we will arrange shipping of your choice and billing. First place winning posters will be submitted to the NACD Poster Contest and will not be returned until late March, 2012 (but we will mail the first place plaques and certificates of participation to the counties). Thank you to all of the counties and areas who support this program.

SPEAKING CONTEST:

Elementary Division: First place: Gretchen Bygd, Barron County; Second place: Jack Wenzel, Wood County; Third place: Lily Wagner, Marquette County.

Junior Division: First place: David Bognar, Barron County; Second place: Grace Hoger, Oneida County; Third place: Mykeilah Holtz-Brown, Iron County.

Senior Division: First place: Cassandra Hoger, Oneida County; Second place: Lily Howder, Eau Claire County; Third place: Cortney Runnels, Marquette County.

POSTER CONTEST:

Primary Division: First place: Michaela Swanke, Green Lake County; Second place: Paige Auth, Pepin County; Third place: Kendall Steinmetz, Onieda County.

Elementary Division: First place: Lynsey Martin, Sawyer County; Second place: Camryn Fell, Green Lake County; Third place: Brady VandeWeerd, Langlade County.

Middle Division: First place: Ben Erickson, Washington County; Second place: Megan Scholl, Vilas County; Third place: Karin Ott, Crawford County.

Junior Division: First Place: Kathleen White, Washington County; Second place: Lauren Vinopal, Iron County; Third place: Kailyn Glinski, Brown County.

Senior Division: First place: Dana Ekenstadt, Barron County; Second place: Margaret Clapham, Washington County; Third place: Brooke Vander Kelen, Green Lake County.

Special Needs Junior Division: First place: Lauren Dykes, Portage County; Second place: Jonathan Lien, Polk County; Third place: Malachi Schmidt, Fond du Lac County.

Special Needs Senior Division: First place: Sarah Wegner, Richland County; Second place: James Michniak, Oneida County; Third place: Cali Isham, Pepin County.